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## COMMITTEE IS ON RUN FROM COLONEL BRYAN IN HIS FIGHT ON PARKER

### CLAYTON

Is Chosen Temporary Chairman of the National Committee Today.

CHICAGO, June 24.—General Powell Clayton, Republican national committeeman from Arkansas and the oldest member of that body, was today elected temporary chairman. F. B. Stanley, a former Roosevelt man from Kansas, took a seat in the committee instead of William Allen White, who was unable to decide whether he could support Taft. Walter F. Brown, of Ohio, took his seat in the committee to see what was done, he is quoted as saying the meeting was brief and adjourned after the appointment of a committee of nine to confer with Taft and ascertain his wishes concerning the national chairman and the conduct of the campaign. When this is done, permanent officers will be elected.

There was no formal meeting of Roosevelt men today. Roosevelt conferred informally with leaders of the new party and Roosevelt stated that he would make no formal statement until some definite program had been mapped out.

### REOPENED

Is the Methodist Protestant Church in the Town of West Milford.

Sunday was a great day for the West Milford Methodist Protestant church. Quite a large crowd attended the reopening services. A number from Clarksburg and surrounding community attended the afternoon services. Dinner was served on the ground and all seemed to enjoy themselves. The church has been enlarged, papered, painted and fitted with new seats at a cost of \$900, of which 174.76 was raised Sunday, which cleared the church of its indebtedness. The Rev. F. E. Oldaker, of Clarksburg, assisted the pastor, the Rev. F. T. Kelley.

### AWFUL TRAGEDY!

Man Killed on Track—Wife Had Just Crossed, Unaware of Death.

NEW MARTINSVILLE, June 24.—While going home at night, N. K. Smith and wife, from town to the east end, in attempting to cross the railroad track a freight train passed over Smith, who had been drinking, and literally limbed him. His entrails were torn out. His wife getting over all right, waited a few minutes for her husband, and he not coming, supposed he had gone back to town. She went home. He was found about 6 o'clock the next morning. His funeral took place today. Less than a year ago a brother of Mrs. Smith was killed on the interurban line between this city and Sistersville near Paden City and several other members of the Harigan family have met with minor accidents on or near the railroad.

### DEFEAT OVERFIELD.

After a string of defeats the West Virginia Business College baseball team got together Saturday afternoon and defeated the strong Overfield team in a well played game by a score of 7 to 6.

Score: W. V. B. C. . . . 12000022—7 9 0 Overfield . . . 010100103—6 6 2 Batteries, Business College: Lowther and DeForest; Overfield: Woodford and Stewart. Struck out—by Lowther, 11; by Woodford, 12.

### YOUNG MAN IS A HOST OF SEVERAL FRIENDS.

Guy Heffner entertained a number of his friends at a 2 o'clock dinner at his home in Broad Oaks Sunday in honor of his guest, Dixie Downs, of Buckhannon. Those who enjoyed Mr. Heffner's hospitality were Claude Bush, Clare Parrish, Wayne Harding, Guy Garrett, James M. Shields, Ulysses Showalter, Guy, Frank and Willis Heffner and the honor guest, Dixie Downs.

Knows Question Must Be Settled Today or Fight on Floor.

### McGRAW SEES BRYAN

And Tries to Talk Him into Letting Parker Be Chairman.

BALTIMORE, June 24.—The decks cleared today for the Democratic national convention which will assemble here tomorrow at noon. The national committee early today disposed of contested delegations, prepared the temporary roll and arranged to select the temporary chairman.

The struggle over the temporary chairman overshadowed every other issue. Efforts to converge the progressive and conservative sentiment failed, and Bryan's declaration of progressive principles sharply defined the issue.

The names of James and Kern were most prominently mentioned in connection with Bryan's selection for temporary chairman, but no decision was reached.

The national committee realized that it must today accept or reject Parker, the selection of the sub-committee for temporary chairman, and its decision might be overturned in the convention, as there was no doubt Bryan would carry his opposition to Parker to the floor of that body.

The important pivotal states in the convention are expected to be New York, Illinois and Indiana.

One of the callers on Bryan today was National Committeeman McGraw of West Virginia, who was reported as having opposed Bryan's position on the temporary chairmanship.

The Democratic national committee soon after meeting took up the selection of a temporary convention chairman. The selection of Parker by a sub-committee is being opposed by Governor Adams, of Colorado. Bryan did not appear to fight Parker, but said he would be in the fight when the time comes. Adams was followed by Committeeman Williams, of Mississippi to oppose Parker as did Senator Newlands, of Nevada. Mr. Browne, of Vermont, spoke for Parker.

Bryan's friends served notice on the committee this afternoon that if Parker is made temporary chairman they will nominate a man on the convention floor to oppose Parker.

Before the committee adjourned at 2:15 until 7 o'clock tonight Chairman Mack and Dr. Hall, of Nebraska, were appointed to confer with Bryan and Parker leaders with a view to prevent a fight on the convention floor.

A spirited exchange of words between John T. McGraw and William J. Bryan, occurred today when Col. McGraw called upon the commoner for the purpose, it is said, of tendering Mr. Bryan his assistance and support in connection with his nomination for the presidency. Mr. Bryan is said to have indicated that he was not asking support from him and to have given him to understand that he did not approve of his course in West Virginia or national politics.

It is estimated that fully 3,000 West Virginians are in Baltimore for the convention. Ohio county has about 200 here, and Harrison and Wood some 150 each, while Cabell county has almost as many and the Eastern Panhandle has 1,000 or more here.

The West Virginia delegation will meet tonight at 8 o'clock to organize and select its members of the various committees. The headquarters of the delegation and of Senator Chilton are both in the Emerson hotel. Senator Watson has headquarters at the Belvidere.

It looks more and more like a contest between Bryan and Underwood for the nomination for president. The fight of Bryan for the nomination is believed to have started with his opposition to Parker for chairman and it is believed Underwood will get the support of the anti-Bryan delegates.

Virgil L. Highland and Sherman C. Denham returned Monday morning from the Chicago convention, where they saw the renomination of President Taft and Vice President Sherman.

George J. Barker and H. M. Whitman, of Boston, were guests of Harry B. Curtin Sunday.

THESE YOUNG MEN HAVE FIGURED LITTLE IN PUBLIC PRINTS, BUT THEY'RE ON THE WAY TO STOCKHOLM AND EXPECT TO WIN A FEW POINTS FOR UNCLE SAM



Left to right: Duke Kahanamoku, J. L. Morris, Shryock, K. Huscagh, Herold, Clyburn, Eddy, E. D. Cross, Ash and R. E. Fizzle. So spectacular have been the performances of the track and field men who are to represent America in the Olympic games that little not even know that a fast swimming team has been picked to contest with the swimmers of Europe at Stockholm. It is shown in the accompanying picture. Not only swimmers have gone, in addition to track and field men, but the American list of contenders includes cyclists, men, fencers, horsemen, wrestlers, a gymnast, oarsmen and a tennis champion.

## EIGHTEEN MISSING AT DOCK DISASTER

And All of Them Are Believed to Have Been Drowned.

BUFFALO, N. Y., June 24.—Five bodies and a list of eighteen persons missing were brought here today from the scene of last night's disaster at Eagle Park, when a dock gave way and 100 persons, members of the Court of Amherst Foresters of America, were thrown into the Niagara river.

The identified dead are Mrs. Arthur Mayer, Mrs. John Hayes, Mrs. Lillie Kellogg, Celia Kelly and Mrs. Agnes Gallagher.

The missing are believed to have been drowned. They are Mrs. August L. Helstrom and daughter, Mrs. George Richmeyer, Norman Richmeyer, Mrs. George McKee and son Christine Wacker, Mrs. George Heister, Mary Nestor, Volia Senf, Urene Thomas, Edward Westphal, Mrs. Grace Helde, Mrs. Charles Zimmerman, Nora Meyer, Alice Griffith, Anthony Meyer and Kate Wolf.

An examination of the dock, according to a medical examiner, showed it to be rotten and poorly built.

### TAFT RENAMED.

CHICAGO, June 24.—President William H. Taft was re-nominated on the first ballot of late Saturday night and Vice President J. S. Sherman was named again. The vote for president was as follows: Taft 561, Roosevelt 107, Hughes 2, Cummins 17, La Follette 41, absent 6, and not voting 344.

A small bunch of rumpers also named Roosevelt in another hall for president on the new party ticket.

### TO HARNESS YOUGH

Pittsburg Engineer Surveying River Valley to Establish Big Power Plant.

CUMBERLAND Md., June 24.—Engineer H. A. Fisher, of Pittsburg, is at work making surveys for the purpose of harnessing the Youghiogheny river, so as to establish a large power plant at Swallow Falls, in the vicinity of Oakland. The work of securing the right of way is now well near completed, and a company of West Virginia and Maryland capitalists has been organized, and some two million dollars will be spent in the construction of the plant, which will furnish power to Pittsburg and other cities and towns throughout Pennsylvania, West Virginia and Maryland.

### ALLEGED FIGHTER JAILED.

John Defos, a Tin Plate foreigner, was arrested there Monday morning and put in jail by Constable Thomas R. Kearns to await a hearing at 7:30 o'clock in the evening before Justice Jackson V. Carter on a charge of fighting with John Rules, another foreigner, Saturday night in the suburb.

## PROGRAM

And Prizes at the Next Annual Pythian Rank State Meeting.

The program and prizes for the third annual bridge encampment of the Uniform Rank, Knights of Pythias, which will begin at Charleston August 25 have just been completed by the committee of thirty-six which has been in session at Charleston for some time. This promises to be one of the largest gatherings of Pythians ever held in the state.

The program follows: Sunday August 25. Arrival of troops in camp. Services by regimental chaplains at 8:00 p. m.

Monday, August 26. Dedication of camp at 5 p. m.

Transfer of camp to Gen. Charles A. Barlow by J. L. Stump, of Glendale lodge No. 78.

Flag raising ceremony by West Virginia brigade.

Address of welcome by W. D. Barnhardt.

Guard mount, 7:15 p. m.

Band concert, 8:00 p. m.

Tuesday, August 27. Company drills 8 to 9 a. m.

Battalion drills 10 to 11 a. m.

Field day contests 2 p. m.

Wednesday, August 28. Company drills 8 to 9 a. m.

Regimental drills 10 to 11 a. m.

Artillery drills 2 p. m.

Brigade inspection and review 4 p. m.

Regimental assemblies 6:30 p. m.

Band concert 8 p. m.

Flambeau drill, 9 p. m.

Thursday, August 29. Company drills 8 to 9 a. m.

Battalion drills 10 to 11 a. m.

Officers school 11:30 to 12:30 p. m.

Guard mount 6 p. m.

Parade D. O. K. K. followed by ceremonial session 7:30 p. m.

Brigade assembly 8:30 p. m.

Friday, August 30. Company drills 8 to 9 a. m.

Regimental drills 10 to 11 a. m.

Competitive drills 2 p. m.

Guard mounts 6:00 p. m.

Grand military ball 8 p. m.

Saturday, August 31. Company drills 8 to 9 a. m.

Awarding of prizes 10 a. m.

Base ball games between regimental clubs 2 p. m.

Guard mount dismissed 6:00 p. m.

The list of prizes are as follows: Open to all companies except those of Charleston, W. Va.

First prize for inspection and proficiency in drill, \$150; second prize for inspection and proficiency in drill, \$100; third prize for inspection and proficiency in drill, \$50; for best captain, sword; for best lieutenant, \$25; for best sergeant, \$15; for best sir knight, \$10.

### MARRIAGE LICENSES.

Marriage licenses have been issued to Harry Grever and Stella M. Mathias, Adam W. Smell and Alma B. Strother and G. W. Wooster and Nora E. Reed.

## The Taft Platform

Reaffirms belief in the constitution. Opposes changing or overturning present American form of government. Declares for progressive and constructive statesmanship. Declares against child labor. Declares for adequate workmen's compensation legislation. Pledges a comprehensive conservation program. Opposes any check on the courts by recall. Declares unequivocally against the recall of judicial decisions or the settlement of any question of law by popular vote. Approves general arbitration treaties and any move that will tend toward world peace. Endorses Sherman anti-trust law and declares for supplementary legislation that will strengthen it at many points. Approves the enactment of legislation which will show just which are and which are not legal combinations in business. Declares for scientific investigation of the cost of living problem and for legislation following such investigations that will remedy conditions complained of. Condemns Democrats for passing tariff reduction bills without adequate knowledge of their effect and pledges the party to a scientific reduction of the tariff along lines to be determined by the tariff board so that the rights of free American labor shall be adequately safeguarded.



PRESIDENT TAFT

### GUILTY

Of Contempt of Court Gompers, Morrison and Mitchell Are Held to Be.

WASHINGTON, D. C., June 24.—Samuel Gompers, Frank Morrison and John Mitchell today were held guilty of contempt of court by the Supreme Court of the District of Columbia. They will attempt to appeal again to the Supreme Court of the United States, which reversed their former conviction.

### NEW TIN PLATE WORKER.

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Gray, of Mechanic street, are rejoicing over the birth of a son at their home Saturday night. Mr. Gray is employed at the tin plate mills and the youngster is to grow up with full knowledge of that business.

### INQUIRY

By the Tyler County Grand Jury into a Election Continues.

MIDDLEBOURNE June 24.—Sheriff Long was busy Sunday serving a big batch of new subpoenas in this city and Sistersville, and when the grand jury convened today those summoned appeared. The jury Saturday made a partial report, indicting four negroes in the jail here, while the matters still being probed relate to the recent municipal election in Sistersville, and the rumors circulated about Judge Willis. The grand jury will likely be in session a good portion of the week.

### NO COURT.

There was no session of the county court today but the court will meet tomorrow as usual.

## COMPLETE

Is Loss Caused by Burning of Odd Fellows Hall at Wyatt.

The Odd Fellows lodge at Wyatt lost all its possessions in the fire that destroyed its hall there early Sunday morning. No insurance was carried and the total loss is about \$2,500.

It is not known what caused the fire. The lodge held a meeting Saturday night, but all lights were extinguished when the members departed at 10 o'clock. Two or three hours afterward, the hall was found to be a mass of flames, which had gained such headway as to prevent fire fighters from saving anything. The building was a two-story frame structure, the upper floor of which was used for a lodge hall and the lower floor of which was used as a public assembly room.

A stable situated close to the hall and owned by Mrs. Ida Gifford was also destroyed at a loss of about \$150. No insurance was carried on the stable.

## REMANDED

To Jail for Evening Trials Are Two Police Court Defendants.

A white man accused of drunkenness and a negro accused of drunkenness and disorderly conduct at his home were arraigned in the police court this morning but Mayor Frank R. Moore remanded both to jail until evening in order to learn something more about both cases.

Three men paid fines of \$3 and costs for street drunkenness at Sunday morning's session of the court and were released from custody. Mayor Moore presided at this session also.

## THREE INJURED

In Automobile Accident at Fairmont—One May Not Recover.

FAIRMONT, June 24.—Three persons were injured in an automobile accident here late yesterday afternoon.

The injured are Mrs. Samuel Colebank, 60; crushed; may not recover; Mrs. E. Trickett, shoulder dislocated; and Mrs. Thomas Gallagher, slightly injured.

A party of seven were in a car from the Standard Garage Company, driven by Melvin Moore, and were returning to the city via Park avenue. Mrs. Colebank was crossing the street, and the chauffeur, endeavoring to avoid running down the woman, sent his car into an electric light pole, wrecking the machine and scattering the occupants far and near.

Others in the car were Thomas J. Gallagher, Meda Gallagher, his daughter; Mrs. Frank Crawford and her little daughter.

The injured persons were taken to their homes. Mrs. Colebank's condition is critical.

### CONCATENATION

Of the Order of Hoo Hoo Is Held in the Goff Building.

A small but enjoyable concatenation of Hoo Hoo was held in the Goff building Monday morning under the direction of E. Stringer Boggs, snark of the universe, H. B. Curtin, W. B. Osborn, L. O. Smith and other local members of the order. George J. Barker, president, and H. M. Whitman, treasurer, of Barker and Company, incorporated, of Boston, were initiated.

### DAVIS FUNERAL.

The funeral of Edward B. Davis, aged 18 months, son of Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Davis, of Adamston, who died Monday morning at 1 o'clock after a long illness of spinal meningitis will be held at the Davis home Tuesday morning at 10 o'clock and the burial will follow in the Greentown cemetery.

### MRS. ELLIOTT IMPROVING.

Mrs. Elliott, of Baker avenue, who suffered a stroke of paralysis recently which affected her left side and left her left arm and hand helpless is improving.